

#5
Heart





After the new year, she had a meeting with a psychiatrist.

Now decided to undergo surgery to become a woman in order to overcome his gender identity disorder.



... NOW?
WE ARE
GOING TO
BE LATE
FOR A
MOVIE.

This is called a real life test. It is used to determine whether or not a patient's decision to transition will work and if their heart feels comfortable with the change.

Now wears a skirt and has long hair colored as usual.



The first step is the start of having the disorder diagnosed and confirmed by a professional psychiatrist. After that is the second stage, when hormones treat the brain.







She received a large number of name cards from adobility agencies.

When Hone acts like a girl, many people try to come on to her.

Whenever he went, nobody noticed that he was a boy.



I'D LIKE ONE CARAMEL POPCORN AND TWO SMALL CONES.











IT'S OKAY.



I feel a little guilty.

I'm dating Nao.



YOU WANT TO BE THE MOST LOVED PERSON IN THE WORLD?

NAO-CHAN IS SICK.



LOOK, NAO-CHAN.

ABOUT ME.



I'll be find out already?

I THINK I'M
GOING TO STOP
ATTENDING
SCHOOL.



I DON'T WANT
TO WEAR A MALE
SCHOOL UNIFORM
ANYMORE.

YOU'RE PRO-
BABLY THINK
I'M JUST
SAYING WHAT-
EVER I WANT

HEH?

WHY?

AND LAUGH
AT ME BE-
CAUSE IT'S
STUPID.

THAT'S
OKAY SO
JARED





SHE STARTED
THE REAL LIFE
TEST NOW, SO
IT DOESN'T MAKE
SENSE IF SHE IS
'A GUY AT SCHOOL'
AND 'A GIRL AT HOME'.

YEAH
DEFINITELY



THEN THERE'S
ONLY ONE SO-
LUTION.



YEAH

SO HONO
DOESN'T WANT
TO WEAR THE
MALE SCHOOL
UNIFORM ANY-
MORE?



WE SHOULD LET
HONO WEAR THE
FEMALE SCHOOL
UNIFORM



THAT'S
WHAT YOU
WOULD
THINK!

EEEE!



IT'S BEEN SUCH
A LONG TIME
SINCE WE MET.
I'M SHOWING IT
TO YOU AS A
SPECIAL SERVICE.

IT'S
BEEN A
LONG
TIME—

KANAME'S
CRIMINAL
SILENCE





I'M
WAITING
FOR A
GUY LIKE
THAT.

SOMEONE WHO
WILL SMILE AND
EMBRACE ME
WHILE SAYING
THAT IT
DOESN'T
HURT...



I WANT
SOMEONE TO
TIGHTLY EM-
BRACE ME,

BUT I CAN
SEE IT NOW.



ME, FOR
EXAMPLE.

BUT I HAVE
THOUGHTS AND I'M
AFRAID THAT I'LL
HURT SOMEONE
WITH THEM SOME-
DAY AND CAUSE
BLOOD TO BE
SPILT.



WH-
WHAT?



YES.

YOU, FOR
EXAMPLE.



CONTINUE YOUR
STORY ABOUT
NONO-CHAN
AND THE REST
OF YOU.

Soon it became
spring and we
all became 16
years.

Tetsuya's father
joined him
shortly after
and they spoke
to the PTA
together.

Myo confirmed
Nora's decision for
transition and
began to converse
the teachers.

PARENTS AND TEACHER'S ASSOCIATION

MOSAKA
MOSOM-KUM
LAB

Whether or not
Nora could come to
school or not, it's
Nora's will was to be
carried through
1985.

GENDER
IDENTITY
DECIDER

There was a whole
school assembly in
the auditorium.







It can't
be helped



What
is this
really—

CHARLES

CHARLES



I should
become a
Parrot for
Rosa.



With the good
fortune, and a
typhoon.

END



I THINK YOU
SAW THE NEWS,
BUT ONE OF THE
WOMEN WAS
SEEN CHIPPING
GUM ON CAMERA
WHEN SHE WAS
RESCUED.

PRIOR THIS
INCIDENT, THREE
JAPANESE CITI-
ZENS WERE KID-
NAPPED AND DE-
TAINED IN IRAQ.

OUR PRIME
MINISTER AD-
MONISHED HIM AND
SAID THAT IT
WAS THE MAN'S
OWN FAULT.

THE GOVERN-
MENT LAUNCHED
A RESCUE MIS-
SION AND SAVED
THEM.



AFTER THAT,
PEOPLE BEGAN TO
TALK ABOUT THE
INCIDENT AS IF IT
WERE THEIR OWN
FAULT.

THAT SCENE WAS
BROADCAST TO THE
ENTIRE NATION AND
THOUGHT TO BE
GREATLY SHAMEFUL.
THEY SAVED HER AND
SHE SEEMED TO HAVE
AN ARROGANT ATTIT-
TUDINE ABOUT IT.



BECAUSE OF THIS,
WHEN THE MAN
WAS KIDNAPPED IN
THE SAME WAY,
PEOPLE DECIDED IT
TO BE HIS OWN
FAULT.

PEOPLE COULD GO
TO THE WAR-ZONE
IF THEY WANTED TO,
BUT THEY WOULD
HAVE TO TAKE CARE
OF THEMSELVES.



THAT'S
WHAT HE
SAID.

IN HIS LAST
VIDEO, HE SAID,
"I'M SORRY I
WANT TO GO BACK
TO JAPAN."



WE'RE
YOUNGST
WE'RE GROW-
ING WITH
HOPE AND
CURIOSITY.

WELL EVERY-
THING BE OVER
THE MOMENT WE
MAKE A MISTAKE
AND GET TOLD
IT'S OUR OWN
FAULT.

AT THE TIME, JAPAN
WAS TRYING TO
EARN FAVORABLE
WITH THE USA AND
STILL HAD THE
JAPANESE SELF
DEFENSE FORCE
STATIONED NEAR
THE RUSS-CHINA
THE YOUNG MAN
WAS ABANDONED
AND LEFT TO DIE.



WHAT DOES IT
MEAN WHEN
SOMEONE TELLS
US SOMETHING
TO OUR OWN
FAULT?



MY FRIEND,
MORRIS NEDDLE,
WAS THE BODY
OF A BOY.











It became
the legendary
female school
uniform.

I told the whole
school and said
that this would be
the first and last
time something like
this would happen.

There would only be
one clothing like this
in the entire world.





forget about it
for a moment.
Now has a
force which
gathers people
around him.



to every-
body's idol.

That day,
Nowo had
turned from
being our
own idol



NONO
TRIED TO
COMMIT
SUICIDE





MONO

...

I'M GOING TO
BE DISCHARGED
TOMORROW

IT'S
NOTHING.

EVERYBODY
WAS WORRIED,
WHAT DO YOU
MEAN BY IT'S
NOTHING!!

IT'S NOT
NOTHING!!





I'M PLAY-
ACTING.



HE MUST BE
FACING HOW
DANGEROUS IT
IS. HE JUST
DOESN'T WANT
TO BE RE-
SPONSIBLE
FOR IT.

I HAD A BODY CHECK
EARLIER AND THE
DOCTOR SAID I
COULDN'T HAVE THE
SEX CHANGE SUR-
GERY WITH MY BODY.



PLAY-
ACTING?



MOM SUDDENLY
CHANGED HER
MIND AND SAID I
SHOULDN'T HAVE
THE SURGERY!



RIGHT.



NO WAY...
BECAUSE OF
THAT...?



IF THEY WERE
GOING TO TELL
ME "IT CAN BE
DANGEROUS, YOU
SHOULDN'T HAVE
THE SURGERY",

I WANTED TO
SHOW THEM
THAT I WOULD
CONVERT ALL-
COS.

SO I TRIED
TO SHOW
THEM WHAT I
WOULD DO.



I KNOW THERE
WAS NO WAY
I COULD BE
USING SLEEP-
ING PILLS SOLD
IN A PHAR-
MACY.



SO YOU
DON'T
REALLY
WANT TO
FILL YOUR-
SELF?



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AND HAS
BRANDED ME
AS A TERRI-
BLE PERSON

TETSU-CHAN
HATES ME

DURING THE
MORNING ASSEMB-
LY, MAO-CHAN
TOLD ME THAT
HAVING THE SUR-
GERY IS MY
"HOPE"

I THINK ANGER
AND HATE ARE TWO
DIFFERENT THINGS

IT'S NOT MY
HOPE. IT'S
EVERYTHING.

BUT THIS
IS A LITTLE
DIFFERENT.

PLEASE
BE KIND
TO ME

EVEN
AFTER
I HAVE
SUFFERED

FROM

EVERY-
BODY

AND
ALL THE
PEOPLE
IN THE
WORLD

I'M GOING
TO BE
SOMEONE
WHO HURT
ME

IF I DON'T HAVE
THE SURETY, I
WON'T HAVE ANY
REASON TO CON-
TINUE LIVING

I HAVE
TO FIGHT

FOR ME
TO LIVE

I DON'T HAVE ANY
CHOICE AT ALL



I WANT TO
LIVE AS ME.



ALONG
?



THE
MOM-
STER

BOUNDED
OUT HE
SMELLED
LIKE FISH

AT
THAT
TIME



They
sounded
like

TIME STOPS
THERE.



TETSUNA.

KOYOTO
AND ME

CAN'T BE
ADULTS.

HONO... WHEN
I THINK ABOUT
WHAT HAPPENED
TO YOU...



Some
words

L-STEP





WHEN THEY TOOK
OFF MY CLOTHES
THOUGH, THEY
HAD REALLY SUR-
PRISED FACES

THEY KEPT
SAYING I WAS
CLUE OVER
AND OVER
AGAIN



IN THE
MONSTER'S
HAND WAS
A SILVER
KNOPE

I BECAME
NUDIE... I
TREMBLED AND
LOOKED UP AT
THE MONSTER

Maybe



HONOO



His
anxiety

THE MONSTER
WAS DISAP-
POINTED AND
WENT AROUND
THE PLACE IN
CIRCLES



AND I DIDN'T
KNOW WHAT IT
WAS ABOUT AND
THAT MADE THE
MONSTER ANGRY

I WAS CON-
STANTLY
BEING HIT



IS HE REMEMBERING
THE KIDNAPPING
INCIDENT FROM
WHEN HE WAS
YOUNGER?



I WAS
CONSTANTLY
BEING KICKED
AND HIT.



I THINK I
BECAME
BOTTEN BE-
CAUSE OF
THAT.

THE MONSTER
SPOT AT ME A
LOT OF TIMES.



"IT'S UN-
PLEASANT."

"YOU ARE
USELESS."



MONST?

SHOULD I
CALL THE
NURSE?





THEY'RE TOO
AFRAID OF
DANGER AND
ARE CON-
STANTLY
RAISING THE
BARRIERS

I THINK THE
REQUIRE-
MENTS IN
THIS COUN-
TRY ARE TOO
STRICT

OF COURSE, WITH
IT BEING A CON-
CRETE DANGER,
IT'S PROBABLY
WE REALLY EX-
CESSIVE.



ISN'T THAT
RIGHT, NICK-
DING?

WE CAN DO
SOMETHING
ABOUT THIS

BUT WE GET
LOANS FOR
SOMETHING
LIKE THAT.



OKAY THEN
I'M GOING TO
CONVINCE OUR
FRIENDS WITH
TETSUO'S
HELP AGAIN!



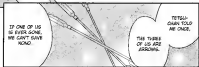
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HONO'S DREAM
COME TRUE
DURING THE
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BY GIVING HER
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IFORM. WE
CAN'T TAKE IT
AWAY FROM
HER NOW.



THREE
ARROWS?



IF THREE
ARROWS ARE
PLACED NEXT TO
EACH OTHER,
EVEN THE IM-
POSSIBLE CAN
BECOME POSSI-
BLE.



IF ONE OF US
IS EVER GONE,
WE CAN'T SAVE
MONO.

THE THREE
OF US ARE
ARROWS.

TETRA-
DASH TOLD
ME ONCE.



EVERYTHING IS
FOR MONO!

